

2003 EQIP Ranking Worksheet - St. Joseph County

Name: _____ Tract # _____ Farm # _____

Water Quality

	Yes	No
1. Is more than 1 resource concern going to be addressed with EQIP funds?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will practice protect land that is physically touching or drains directly into any area that holds or conveys water permanently or intermittently?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the tract located within a watershed that has been Identified as having water quality concerns based on MACOG's water quality map?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will plan include filter strips along all permanent and intermittent water bodies such as ditches, wetlands, rivers, lakes, ponds and streams?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is landowner willing to adopt a tillage practice that leaves at least 50% residue on the field?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Are there surface inlets on tile drains in these fields?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will landowner protect and/or restore wetlands?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Does tract contain soils that have a Nitrogen Leaching Index greater than 2?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will livestock impacts on water quality be addressed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Is the landowner willing to address abandoned wells?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ **High**=6-10 Yes ☐ **Med** = 3-5 Yes ☐ **Low** =less than 3

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Livestock Manure Management

	Yes	No
1. Is more than 1 resource concern going to be addressed with EQIP funds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will practice prevent contaminated runoff from directly entering a water body (such as a ditch, stream, lake, pond, river or wetland) or tile drain?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will livestock be excluded from a water body such as a ditch, stream, Lake, pond, river or wetland?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. If there is less than 180 days of manure storage (based on Landowners knowledge) will landowner be willing to increase storage to that point?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will CNMP be developed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is tract located in a watershed that is on the IDEM 303d list for non-point sources?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will intensive grazing be an adopted practice?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Is the tract located within the Prime Agricultural Area As identified by the Area Plan Commission?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Is this an existing operation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Erosion and Sediment Control

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| 1. Is more than 1 resource concern going to be Addressed with EQIP funds? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Will areas where surface water drains directly into ponds,..... ditches, streams, rivers, lakes or wetlands be protected? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Will producer adopt, a residue Management practices that leave 50% residue? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Will plan implement practices on any NRCS defined HEL field? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Will plan address classic gullies (as defined by NRCS) present on this tract? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Will plan address streambank erosion present on this tract? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Will plan address wind erosion problems on soils With erodibility value of 134 or greater? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Will landowner plant trees, hay, pasture or native grasses for erosion control? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Will landowner establish or maintain a buffer of grass or trees greater than 20' along water bodies such as ditches, streams, rivers, lakes or wetlands? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Forest Health

- | | Yes | No |
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| 1. Is more than 1 resource concern going to be Addressed with EQIP funds? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Does the landowner have a woodland management plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Existing woods will be joined or expanded with new tree Planting. (Existing woods may be off the offered tract). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Will practice maintain or increase the area of the Wood lot? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Is the landowner willing to do TSI? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Will an accepted practice be used To reduce the spread of Gypsy Moth? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Is the woods physically touching a stream, ditch, river, lake, pond, or wetland or is the woods next to a protected forested site? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Is this tract enrolled in the Classified Forest or Classified Wildlife Program(s)? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Are there endangered species present on the tract based on the USDA endangered species maps created for Farm Bill purposes? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

☐ **High**=5-9 Yes ☐ **Med** = 3-4 Yes ☐ **Low** =2 or less
yes